

# **CALENDAR YEAR 2011 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN**

# **Estimation of WIC Eligibles by County, Montana**

(Model Update: February 17, 2012)

\*NA: Percentages are not computed for fewer than 20 participants for statistical reliability

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County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Beaverhead	Pregnant	Served	16	24.6%	15	22.4%
		Need	65	24.070	67	22.470
	Postpartum	Served	6	21.1%	-2	-6.9%
		Need	29	21.170	29	-0.570
	Breastfeeding	Served	12	46.2%	7	25.9%
		Need	26	10.270	27	23.370
	Infants	Served	23	25.8%	21	22.8%
		Need	89	23.070	92	22.070
	Children	Served	76	26.0%	63	21.5%
		Need	292	20.070	293	21.370
	Women	Served	34	28.3%	21	17.1%
		Need	120	20.370	123	17.170
	Total	Served	133	26.6%	105	20.7%
		Need	501	20.070	508	20.770
Big Horn	Pregnant	Served	58	29.3%	58	20.20/
		Need	198	29.5%	206	28.2%
	Postpartum	Served	68	69.7%	37	40.7%
		Need	98	09.7%	91	40.7%
	Breastfeeding	Served	36	40.9%	20	23.5%
		Need	88	40.5%	85	23.3%
	Infants	Served	191	71.3%	185	66.5%
		Need	268	/1.3/0	278	00.370
	Children	Served	491	54.4%	437	48.6%
		Need	902	J <del>T.4</del> /0	899	40.070
	Women	Served	162	42.2%	115	30.1%
		Need	384	72.2/0	382	30.170
	Total	Served	844	54.3%	737	47.3%
		Need	1,553	2 2/3	1,559	

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Blaine	Pregnant	Served	22	31.9%	20	25.0%
		Need	69	31.970	80	23.0%
	Postpartum	Served	15	31.9%	10	22.7%
		Need	47	31.976	44	22.776
	Breastfeeding	Served	12	27.9%	8	19.5%
		Need	43	27.5%	41	15.5%
	Infants	Served	57	60.6%	57	52.3%
		Need	94	00.070	109	32.370
	Children	Served	178	43.6%	151	35.9%
		Need	408	13.070	421	33.370
	Women	Served	49	30.8%	37	22.4%
		Need	159	30.070	165	22.170
	Total	Served	284	43.0%	245	35.3%
		Need	661	43.070	695	33.370
Broadwater	Pregnant	Served	12	20.0%	10	35.60/
		Need	40	30.0%	39	25.6%
	Postpartum	Served	6	Count <20	4	Count <20
		Need	10	Count <20	12	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	7	Count <20	6	Count <20
		Need	9	Count <20	11	Count <20
	Infants	Served	16	30.2%	23	45.1%
		Need	53	30.276	51	43.176
	Children	Served	76	56.5%	76	53.9%
		Need	135	30.370	141	33.370
	Women	Served	25	42.4%	19	31.1%
		Need	59	74.7/0	61	31.1/0
	Total	Served	117	47.5%	118	46.6%
		Need	247	77.370	253	40.070

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Carbon	Pregnant	Served	8	14.3%	8	17.0%
		Need	56	14.570	47	17.0%
	Postpartum	Served	5	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	18	Count \20	15	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	6	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	16	Count \20	15	Count 120
	Infants	Served	18	24.0%	14	22.6%
		Need	75	24.070	62	22.070
	Children	Served	49	22.6%	44	19.9%
		Need	217	22.070	221	13.370
	Women	Served	19	21.1%	10	13.0%
		Need	90	21.170	77	13.070
	Total	Served	86	22.5%	69	19.1%
		Need	381	22.370	361	13.170
Carter	Pregnant	Served	0	Count <20	0	Count 420
		Need	7	Count <20	7	Count <20
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	3	Count <20	3	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
	Infants	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	9	Count \20	10	Count \20
	Children	Served	4	13.9%	0	0.0%
		Need	29	13.570	23	0.070
	Women	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	12	Count \20	12	55411C \20
	Total	Served	7	14.1%	2	4.5%
		Need	50	17.1/0	44	7.3/0

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Cascade	Pregnant	Served	172	30.0%	137	23.7%
		Need	574	30.0%	577	23.770
	Postpartum	Served	143	51.7%	58	20.9%
		Need	277	31.776	277	20.376
	Breastfeeding	Served	107	42.6%	44	16.9%
		Need	251	42.0%	261	10.5%
	Infants	Served	400	51.7%	372	47.7%
		Need	773	31.770	780	47.770
	Children	Served	815	32.3%	671	26.0%
		Need	2,523	32.370	2,577	20.070
	Women	Served	422	38.3%	239	21.4%
		Need	1,102	38.370	1,115	21.470
	Total	Served	1,637	27.20/	1,282	20.70/
		Need	4,398	37.2%	4,472	28.7%
Chouteau	Pregnant	Served	5	9.4%	5	10.00/
		Need	53	9.4%	50	10.0%
	Postpartum	Served	3	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	14	Count <20	15	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	3	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	13	Count <20	14	Count <20
	Infants	Served	11	15.1%	9	13.2%
		Need	73	13.1%	68	13.2%
	Children	Served	30	12.4%	23	10.1%
		Need	242	12.470	227	10.170
	Women	Served	11	13.8%	8	10.3%
		Need	80	13.070	78	10.370
	Total	Served	52	13.2%	40	10.7%
		Need	395	13.2/0	373	10.770

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Custer	Pregnant	Served	31	43.1%	31	42.5%
		Need	72	43.1%	73	42.5%
	Postpartum	Served	25	66.7%	10	29.4%
		Need	38	00.7%	34	29.4%
	Breastfeeding	Served	15	44.1%	10	31.3%
		Need	34	44.1%	32	31.3%
	Infants	Served	64	65.3%	65	65.7%
		Need	98	03.376	99	03.776
	Children	Served	162	51.0%	138	41.8%
		Need	318	31.0%	330	41.870
	Women	Served	71	49.3%	51	36.4%
		Need	144	49.370	140	30.476
	Total	Served	297	53.1%	254	44.50/
		Need	559	55.1%	569	44.6%
Daniels	Pregnant	Served	1	Count <20	3	Count 420
		Need	15	Count <20	19	Count <20
	Postpartum	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	8	Count <20	8	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	7	Count \20	7	Count \20
	Infants	Served	5	25.0%	7	28.0%
		Need	20	23.0%	25	28.0%
	Children	Served	18	30.0%	12	22.6%
		Need	60	30.0%	53	22.0%
	Women	Served	4	13.3%	6	17.6%
		Need	30		34	17.070
	Total	Served	27	24.6%	25	22.3%
		Need	110	£4.0/0	112	22.3/0

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Dawson	Pregnant	Served	15	24.2%	11	18.0%
		Need	62	24.270	61	18.0%
	Postpartum	Served	10	39.2%	6	24.0%
		Need	26	33.270	25	24.070
	Breastfeeding	Served	6	26.1%	4	17.4%
		Need	23	20.170	23	17.470
	Infants	Served	34	40.5%	33	40.2%
		Need	84	40.570	82	40.270
	Children	Served	70	30.6%	57	23.5%
		Need	229	30.070	243	23.370
	Women	Served	31	27.9%	21	19.3%
		Need	111	27.376	109	19.376
	Total	Served	135	24.00/	111	35.69/
		Need	423	31.9%	434	25.6%
Deer Lodge	Pregnant	Served	22	47.00/	26	F2 00/
		Need	46	47.8%	50	52.0%
	Postpartum	Served	15	62.5%	13	54.2%
		Need	24	62.5%	24	54.2%
	Breastfeeding	Served	11	FO 09/	4	19 20/
		Need	22	50.0%	22	18.2%
	Infants	Served	45	71.4%	49	60.0%
		Need	63	71.4%	71	69.0%
	Children	Served	102	45.1%	81	36.7%
		Need	226	45.1%	221	30.7%
	Women	Served	48	E2 20/	42	42.99/
		Need	92	52.2%	96	43.8%
	Total	Served	195	51.1%	173	44.7%
		Need	381	<b>31.17</b> 0	387	44./70

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Fallon	Pregnant	Served	3	Count <20	3	14.3%
		Need	19	Count \20	21	14.370
	Postpartum	Served	3	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	13	Count \20	11	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	2	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	11	Count \20	10	Count \20
	Infants	Served	7	25.9%	8	26.7%
		Need	27	23.370	30	20.770
	Children	Served	21	21.8%	16	14.5%
		Need	96	21.670	110	14.570
	Women	Served	8	18.6%	6	14.0%
		Need	43	18.070	43	14.070
	Total	Served	36	21.7%	30	16.4%
		Need	166	21.7%	183	16.4%
Fergus	Pregnant	Served	20	26.79/	17	22.49/
		Need	75	26.7%	76	22.4%
	Postpartum	Served	14	47.5%	3	10.3%
		Need	30	47.5%	29	10.5%
	Breastfeeding	Served	14	51.9%	12	42.9%
		Need	27	31.976	28	42.570
	Infants	Served	40	39.2%	40	38.8%
		Need	102	39.276	103	36.676
	Children	Served	132	51.1%	127	46.9%
		Need	258	31.170	271	40.570
	Women	Served	48	36.4%	31	23.3%
		Need	132	30.470	133	23.3/0
	Total	Served	220	44.7%	197	38.9%
		Need	492	77.7/0	506	30.570

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Flathead	Pregnant	Served	185	34.4%	182	33.5%
		Need	538	34.470	543	33.370
	Postpartum	Served	100	34.8%	60	20.8%
		Need	287	34.870	288	20.8%
	Breastfeeding	Served	134	51.5%	90	33.1%
		Need	260	31.370	272	33.170
	Infants	Served	346	47.7%	360	49.2%
		Need	726	47.770	732	43.270
	Children	Served	784	31.0%	612	22.6%
		Need	2,527	31.070	2,706	22.070
	Women	Served	419	38.6%	332	30.1%
		Need	1,085	30.070	1,103	30.170
	Total	Served	1,549	35.7%	1,304	28.7%
		Need	4,338	33.770	4,541	20.770
Gallatin	Pregnant	Served	79	15 20/	70	12.6%
		Need	516	15.3%	557	12.6%
	Postpartum	Served	46	16.4%	14	4.8%
		Need	281	10.4%	291	4.6%
	Breastfeeding	Served	93	36.5%	64	23.4%
		Need	255	30.3%	274	23.4%
	Infants	Served	182	26.0%	201	26.6%
		Need	700	20.0%	757	20.0%
	Children	Served	466	18.3%	362	12.6%
		Need	2,544	18.570	2,880	12.070
	Women	Served	218	20.7%	149	13.3%
		Need	1,052	20.770	1,122	15.5/0
	Total	Served	866	20.2%	711	14.9%
		Need	4,296	20.270	4,758	14.570

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Garfield	Pregnant	Served	2	Count <20	4	Count <20
		Need	8	Count <20	9	Count <20
	Postpartum	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	5	Count \20	5	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	4	Count \20	4	Count \20
	Infants	Served	5	Count <20	5	Count <20
		Need	11	Count \20	11	Count 120
	Children	Served	13	22.0%	12	21.8%
		Need	59	22.070	55	21.070
	Women	Served	5	Count <20	5	Count <20
		Need	17	Count 120	18	Count 120
	Total	Served	23	26.4%	22	26.2%
		Need	87	20.476	84	20.276
Glacier	Pregnant	Served	79	47.6%	70	37.8%
		Need	166	47.0%	185	57.8%
	Postpartum	Served	65	70.3%	49	50.5%
		Need	93	70.370	97	30.370
	Breastfeeding	Served	23	27.4%	14	15.2%
		Need	84	27.470	92	13.270
	Infants	Served	185	83.0%	205	82.0%
		Need	223	83.070	250	82.070
	Children	Served	484	60.8%	428	52.5%
		Need	796	00.870	815	32.370
	Women	Served	167	48.7%	133	35.6%
		Need	343	40.770	374	33.070
	Total	Served	836	61.4%	766	53.2%
		Need	1,361	01.470	1,439	33.270

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Golden Valley	Pregnant	Served	1		1	
valley		Need	4	Count <20	4	Count <20
	Postpartum	Served	1		0	
		Need	3	Count <20	3	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	0		0	
		Need	2	Count <20	3	Count <20
	Infants	Served	1		1	0
		Need	6	Count <20	7	Count <20
	Children	Served	1	Count (20	3	15.00/
		Need	12	Count <20	20	15.0%
	Women	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	9	Count <20	10	Count <20
	Total	Served	4	15.0%	5	13.9%
		Need	27	15.0%	36	13.9%
Granite	Pregnant	Served	5	0	3	
		Need	14	Count <20	12	Count <20
	Postpartum	Served	2	Co 420	1	Count (20
		Need	5	Count <20	4	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	4	Count <20	4	Count <20
	Infants	Served	5	25.0%	6	Count <20
		Need	20	23.070	17	Count \20
	Children	Served	19	25.3%	15	19.5%
		Need	75	23.370	77	13.370
	Women	Served	8	34.8%	7	33.3%
		Need	23	2	21	22.070
	Total	Served	32	27.1%	28	24.6%
		Need	118		114	

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Hill	Pregnant	Served	57	35.8%	49	31.2%
		Need	159	33.8%	157	31.276
	Postpartum	Served	37	48.1%	19	24.1%
		Need	77	46.176	79	24.1%
	Breastfeeding	Served	30	42.9%	13	17.3%
		Need	70	42.5%	75	17.5%
	Infants	Served	127	59.3%	116	55.2%
		Need	214	39.376	210	33.276
	Children	Served	318	43.3%	260	33.1%
		Need	734	43.370	786	33.176
	Women	Served	124	40.5%	81	26.0%
		Need	306	40.376	311	20.0%
	Total	Served	569	45.4%	458	35.00/
		Need	1,254	45.4%	1,307	35.0%
Jefferson	Pregnant	Served	14	24.60/	18	20.00/
		Need	57	24.6%	62	29.0%
	Postpartum	Served	9	29.0%	5	17.9%
		Need	31	29.0%	28	17.9%
	Breastfeeding	Served	10	25.70/	5	10.30/
		Need	28	35.7%	26	19.2%
	Infants	Served	31	40.3%	28	33.3%
		Need	77	40.5%	84	55.5%
	Children	Served	73	29.0%	66	24.1%
		Need	252	29.0%	274	24.1%
	Women	Served	33	28.4%	28	23.9%
		Need	116		117	23.370
	Total	Served	137	30.8%	121	25.5%
		Need	445	30.0/0	475	23.3/0

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Judith Basin	Pregnant	Served	2	10.0%	2	10.0%
		Need	20	10.0%	20	10.0%
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	6	Count <20	7	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	5	Count <20	6	Count <20
	Infants	Served	1	3.8%	1	3.6%
		Need	26	3.676	28	3.0%
	Children	Served	11	13.0%	9	11.3%
		Need	85	13.0%	80	11.3%
	Women	Served	4	12.9%	3	8.8%
		Need	31	12.576	34	8.876
	Total	Served	16	11 20/	13	0.20/
		Need	141	11.3%	140	9.3%
Lake	Pregnant	Served	81	20.6%	65	24.70/
		Need	210	38.6%	205	31.7%
	Postpartum	Served	59	F2 09/	34	21 50/
		Need	112	52.9%	108	31.5%
	Breastfeeding	Served	45	44.69/	15	14.70/
		Need	101	44.6%	102	14.7%
	Infants	Served	180	62.9%	191	69.0%
		Need	286	02.9%	277	09.0%
	Children	Served	515	42.4%	452	36.2%
		Need	1,215	42.4%	1,249	30.2%
	Women	Served	185	43.7%	114	27.4%
		Need	423	43.770	416	27.4/0
	Total	Served	880	45.7%	758	39.1%
		Need	1,924	73.7/0	1,941	33.1/0

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Lewis & Clark	Pregnant	Served	118	20.00/	106	24.50/
Clark		Need	394	29.9%	433	24.5%
	Postpartum	Served	81		64	
		Need	200	40.5%	201	31.8%
	Breastfeeding	Served	68		29	
		Need	182	37.4%	190	15.3%
	Infants	Served	229	42.00/	241	44.407
		Need	534	42.9%	586	41.1%
	Children	Served	583	24.40/	455	24.1%
		Need	1,707	34.1%	1,890	24.1%
	Women	Served	267	34.4%	199	24.2%
		Need	776	34.470	824	24.2%
	Total	Served	1,079	35.8%	895	27.1%
		Need	3,017	33.8%	3,300	27.176
Liberty	Pregnant	Served	2	0.50/	2	10.00/
		Need	21	9.5%	20	10.0%
	Postpartum	Served	1	Co 420	2	Co 420
		Need	5	Count <20	6	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	5	Count <20	6	Count <20
	Infants	Served	2	7.1%	4	14.8%
		Need	28	7.170	27	14.670
	Children	Served	14	21.4%	14	22.2%
		Need	65		63	
	Women	Served	4	12.9%	4	12.5%
		Need	31		32	
	Total	Served	20	16.1%	21	17.2%
		Need	124		122	

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Lincoln	Pregnant	Served	28	24.1%	33	25.8%
		Need	116	24.1/0	128	23.8%
	Postpartum	Served	27	43.5%	16	26.7%
		Need	62	43.3%	60	20.7%
	Breastfeeding	Served	23	41.1%	8	14.3%
		Need	56	41.1%	56	14.5%
	Infants	Served	73	46.5%	84	48.3%
		Need	157	40.5%	174	46.370
	Children	Served	212	39.2%	168	31.0%
		Need	541	39.276	542	31.0%
	Women	Served	78	33.3%	57	23.5%
		Need	234	33.370	243	23.3%
	Total	Served	363	20.00/	308	22.40/
		Need	932	39.0%	959	32.1%
Madison	Pregnant	Served	3	0.10/	4	10.50/
		Need	37	8.1%	38	10.5%
	Postpartum	Served	4	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	16	Count <20	15	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	4	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	14	Count <20	14	Count <20
	Infants	Served	11	22.4%	8	15.4%
		Need	49	22.4%	52	13.4%
	Children	Served	25	16.8%	15	10.1%
		Need	149	10.8%	149	10.1%
	Women	Served	11	16.4%	5	7.4%
		Need	67		68	7.470
	Total	Served	47	17.8%	28	10.4%
		Need	264	17.0/0	268	10.470

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
McCone	Pregnant	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	12	Count \20	12	Count \20
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	4	Count \20	5	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	-1	Count <20
		Need	3	Count \20	4	Count \20
	Infants	Served	1	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	16	Count \20	15	Count \20
	Children	Served	13	21.5%	9	15.5%
		Need	60	21.570	58	13.370
	Women	Served	3	Count <20	0	0.0%
		Need	19	Count \20	20	0.070
	Total	Served	17	17.8%	12	12.09/
		Need	95	17.6%	93	12.9%
Meagher	Pregnant	Served	2	Count <20	4	Count <20
		Need	17	Count <20	18	
	Postpartum	Served	2	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	12	Count <20	9	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	11	Count <20	9	Count <20
	Infants	Served	9	40.9%	13	56.5%
		Need	22	40.5%	23	30.376
	Children	Served	27	32.2%	20	25.3%
		Need	84	32.270	79	23.370
	Women	Served	5	12.5%	5	13.5%
		Need	40	12.3/0	37	13.3/0
	Total	Served	41	28.2%	38	27.5%
		Need	145	20.2/0	138	27.3/0

County	Category	Served/Need	#	Coverage Rate	#	Coverage Rate
Mineral	Pregnant	Served	12	41.4%	11	34.4%
		Need	29	41.4%	32	34.4%
	Postpartum	Served	5	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	16	Count <20	15	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	6	Count <20	3	Count <20
		Need	14	Count \20	14	Count \20
	Infants	Served	23	57.5%	23	53.5%
		Need	40	37.370	43	33.370
	Children	Served	70	58.2%	66	54.1%
		Need	120	30.270	122	34.170
	Women	Served	23	39.0%	16	26.2%
		Need	59	33.070	61	20.270
	Total	Served	116	53.0%	105	46.5%
		Need	219	33.0%	226	40.5%
Missoula	Pregnant	Served	235	20.00/	197	30.5%
		Need	606	38.8%	645	
	Postpartum	Served	129	43.3%	68	21.9%
		Need	298	43.370	310	21.570
	Breastfeeding	Served	160	59.3%	77	26.5%
		Need	270	33.370	291	20.570
	Infants	Served	380	46.3%	407	46.5%
		Need	820	40.370	875	40.570
	Children	Served	1,257	45.4%	1,022	33.3%
		Need	2,768	43.470	3,073	33.370
	Women	Served	524	44.6%	342	27.4%
		Need	1,174	77.0/0	1,247	27.770
	Total	Served	2,161	45.4%	1,771	34.1%
		Need	4,762		5,195	

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Musselshell	Pregnant	Served	5	17.2%	4	12.9%
		Need	29	17.276	31	12.976
	Postpartum	Served	5	Count <20	5	Count <20
		Need	11	Count \20	12	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	2	Count <20	3	Count <20
		Need	10	Count \20	11	Count \20
	Infants	Served	14	35.9%	17	41.5%
		Need	39	33.370	41	41.570
	Children	Served	46	42.6%	40	36.4%
		Need	108	42.070	110	30.470
	Women	Served	12	24.0%	12	22.2%
		Need	50	24.070	54	22.270
	Total	Served	72	36.5%	69	33.7%
		Need	197	30.3%	205	33.7/0
Park	Pregnant	Served	11	14.00/	9	10.7%
		Need	74	14.9%	84	
	Postpartum	Served	7	17.3%	3	7.1%
		Need	41	17.5%	42	7.1%
	Breastfeeding	Served	7	18.9%	5	12.5%
		Need	37	18.9%	40	12.5%
	Infants	Served	23	23.2%	33	28.9%
		Need	99	23.2%	114	28.9%
	Children	Served	70	19.2%	44	11.4%
		Need	364	19.276	387	11.470
	Women	Served	25	16.4%	16	9.6%
		Need	152		167	5.070
	Total	Served	118	19.2%	93	13.9%
		Need	614	15.2/0	668	13.3/0

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Petroleum	Pregnant	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	5	Count <20	4	Count \20
	Postpartum	Served	0	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	1	Count \20	1	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	0	0.0%
		Need	1	Count \20	0	0.070
	Infants	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	6	Count \20	5	Count 120
	Children	Served	3	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	18	Count 120	16	Count 120
	Women	Served	2	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	7	- Count 420	5	- Count 420
	Total	Served	6	19.4%	3	11.5%
		Need	31	13.470	26	11.570
Phillips	Pregnant	Served	8	27.69/	7	25.0%
		Need	29	27.6%	28	
	Postpartum	Served	6	Count <20	5	Count <20
		Need	11	Count <20	11	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	8	Count <20	7	Count <20
		Need	9	Count <20	10	Count <20
	Infants	Served	19	50.0%	22	57.9%
		Need	38	30.0%	38	37.376
	Children	Served	57	54.9%	55	51.4%
		Need	104	34.370	107	31.470
	Women	Served	22	44.9%	18	36.7%
		Need	49		49	30.770
	Total	Served	98	51.5%	95	49.0%
		Need	190	J1.J/0	194	75.0/0

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Pondera	Pregnant	Served	14	30.4%	14	31.8%
		Need	46	30.470	44	31.870
	Postpartum	Served	9	45.0%	-1	Count <20
		Need	20	43.070	17	Count 120
	Breastfeeding	Served	10	Count <20	10	Count <20
		Need	18	Count 120	16	Count 120
	Infants	Served	32	51.6%	36	60.0%
		Need	62	31.070	60	00.070
	Children	Served	107	52.4%	98	47.8%
		Need	204	32.170	205	17.670
	Women	Served	33	39.3%	23	29.9%
		Need	84	33.370	77	23.370
	Total	Served	172	49.1%	156	45.7%
		Need	350	43.170	341	43.770
Powder River	Pregnant	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	12		11	Count \20
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	3	Count \20	3	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	2	Count 120	2	Count 120
	Infants	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	16	Count 120	14	Count 120
	Children	Served	6	10.3%	4	7.5%
		Need	58	10.570	53	7.570
	Women	Served	3	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	17	304111 120	16	Count \20
	Total	Served	10	11.0%	6	7.2%
		Need	91		83	/-

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Powell	Pregnant	Served	14	40.0%	16	48.5%
		Need	35	40.0%	33	46.376
	Postpartum	Served	10	Count <20	3	Count <20
		Need	13	Count <20	12	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	9	Count <20	6	Count <20
		Need	12	Count \20	12	Count \20
	Infants	Served	25	52.1%	23	51.1%
		Need	48	32.170	45	31.170
	Children	Served	55	42.5%	43	33.9%
		Need	129	42.570	127	33.370
	Women	Served	33	55.0%	25	43.9%
		Need	60	33.070	57	43.9%
	Total	Served	113	47.7%	91	39.7%
		Need	237	47.776	229	33.776
Prairie	Pregnant	Served	1	C1 -: 20	3	Count <20
		Need	8	Count <20	13	
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	6	Count <20	6	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	6	Count <20	6	Count <20
	Infants	Served	4	Count <20	7	Count <20
		Need	12	Count \20	17	Count \20
	Children	Served	15	46.2%	16	55.2%
		Need	32	40.276	29	33.2%
	Women	Served	4	20.0%	7	28.0%
		Need	20		25	20.070
	Total	Served	23	35.7%	29	40.8%
		Need	64	33.7/0	71	<del>-10.0</del> /0

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Ravalli	Pregnant	Served	69	28.2%	63	26.5%
		Need	245	28.2%	238	20.5%
	Postpartum	Served	35	30.7%	18	16.70/
		Need	114	30.7%	108	16.7%
	Breastfeeding	Served	55	53.4%	26	25.5%
		Need	103	33.470	102	23.3%
	Infants	Served	133	40.1%	145	45.2%
		Need	332	40.170	321	43.270
	Children	Served	478	44.1%	396	36.9%
		Need	1,083	44.170	1,073	30.370
	Women	Served	159	34.4%	107	23.9%
		Need	462	34.470	447	23.970
	Total	Served	770	41.0%	647	35.1%
		Need	1,877	41.0%	1,842	35.1%
Richland	Pregnant	Served	9	44.50/	10	14.1%
		Need	62	14.5%	71	
	Postpartum	Served	8	25.8%	0	0.0%
		Need	31	23.8%	33	0.0%
	Breastfeeding	Served	6	21.4%	-1	-3.2%
		Need	28	21.470	31	-3.2%
	Infants	Served	29	34.5%	25	26.0%
		Need	84	34.376	96	20.0%
	Children	Served	62	22.7%	40	13.7%
		Need	274	22.770	293	13.770
	Women	Served	23	19.0%	9	6.7%
		Need	121		134	0.770
	Total	Served	114	23.8%	73	14.0%
		Need	479	23.070	523	17.0/0

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Roosevelt	Pregnant	Served	48	33.1%	32	21.9%
		Need	145	33.170	146	21.976
	Postpartum	Served	18	22.4%	14	19.4%
		Need	81	22.470	72	19.476
	Breastfeeding	Served	10	13.7%	3	4.5%
		Need	73	13.7%	67	4.5%
	Infants	Served	151	77.0%	142	71.4%
		Need	196	77.0%	199	71.470
	Children	Served	367	52.4%	288	39.3%
		Need	701	32.470	732	33.376
	Women	Served	76	25.4%	49	17 20/
		Need	299	23.470	285	17.2%
	Total	Served	594	40.70/	480	20 50/
		Need	1,195	49.7%	1,216	39.5%
Rosebud	Pregnant	Served	45	46.00%	40	40.8%
		Need	96	46.9%	98	
	Postpartum	Served	33	69.5%	25	F2 10/
		Need	48	69.5%	48	52.1%
	Breastfeeding	Served	35	91 40/	18	40.00/
		Need	43	81.4%	45	40.0%
	Infants	Served	104	79.4%	112	84.2%
		Need	131	79.4%	133	84.276
	Children	Served	340	77.0%	292	65.5%
	Need	441	77.0%	446	03.3%	
	Women	Served	113	60.4%	83	43.2%
		Need	187		192	43.270
	Total	Served	557	73.4%	487	63.2%
		Need	759	75.470	770	03.2/0

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Sanders	Pregnant	Served	19	33.3%	20	33.3%
		Need	57	33.370	60	33.370
	Postpartum	Served	11	32.8%	2	5.7%
		Need	34	32.8%	35	3.7%
	Breastfeeding	Served	18	60.0%	14	42.4%
		Need	30	60.0%	33	42.4%
	Infants	Served	40	52.6%	45	56.3%
		Need	76	32.0%	80	30.376
	Children	Served	162	55.0%	152	47.4%
		Need	295	33.0%	321	47.470
	Women	Served	48	39.7%	35	27.3%
		Need	121	33.776	128	27.370
	Total	Served	250	FO 00/	232	44.00/
		Need	491	50.9%	527	44.0%
Sheridan	Pregnant	Served	3	0.70/	5	16.10/
		Need	31	9.7%	31	16.1%
	Postpartum	Served	4	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	10	Count <20	9	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	4	Count <20	4	Count <20
		Need	8	Count <20	8	Count <20
	Infants	Served	15	34.9%	16	38.1%
		Need	43	54.9%	42	56.1%
	Children	Served	41	34.9%	37	33.3%
		Need	117	54.9%	111	55.5%
	Women	Served	11	22.4%	10	20.8%
		Need	49		48	20.070
	Total	Served	67	32.1%	64	31.8%
		Need	209	<b>32.1</b> /0	201	31.0/0

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Silver Bow	Pregnant	Served	73	30.5%	67	29.1%
		Need	239	30.376	230	29.176
	Postpartum	Served	60	58.3%	47	49.0%
		Need	103	38.376	96	49.0%
	Breastfeeding	Served	35	37.6%	14	15.4%
		Need	93	37.0%	91	13.476
	Infants	Served	172	53.3%	186	59.8%
		Need	323	33.370	311	33.870
	Children	Served	348	35.9%	266	27.0%
		Need	969	33.370	984	27.070
	Women	Served	168	38.6%	128	30.6%
		Need	435	38.0%	418	30.6%
	Total	Served	688	20.00/	580	22.00/
		Need	1,727	39.8%	1,713	33.9%
Stillwater	Pregnant	Served	6	11 20/	2	2.00/
		Need	53	11.3%	52	3.8%
	Postpartum	Served	6	27.9%	5	22.7%
		Need	22	27.9%	22	22.7%
	Breastfeeding	Served	4	20.0%	5	22.00/
		Need	20	20.0%	21	23.8%
	Infants	Served	18	25.0%	24	34.3%
		Need	72	23.0%	70	54.5%
	Children	Served	49	20.5%	45	17.8%
		Need	239	20.5%	253	17.8%
	Women	Served	16	16.8%	12	12.8%
		Need	95		94	12.070
	Total	Served	83	20.5%	81	19.4%
		Need	406	20.3/0	417	15.470

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Sweet Grass	Pregnant	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	16		13	
	Postpartum	Served	1		-2	Count <20
		Need	7	Count <20	6	
	Breastfeeding	Served	1		0	
		Need	6	Count <20	6	Count <20
	Infants	Served	6	25.40/	4	
		Need	23	26.1%	19	Count <20
	Children	Served	12	12.50/	5	F 70/
		Need	89	13.5%	87	5.7%
	Women	Served	3	10.20/	-2	7.70/
		Need	29	10.3%	26	-7.7%
	Total	Served	21	15.0%	7	5.3%
		Need	140	15.0%	132	5.3%
Teton	Pregnant	Served	7	42.50/	2	4.00/
		Need	56	12.5%	50	4.0%
	Postpartum	Served	4	Count <20	3	Count <20
		Need	17		16	
	Breastfeeding	Served	3	Count <20	-2	Count <20
		Need	15	Count \20	15	Count \20
	Infants	Served	13	17.6%	13	19.7%
		Need	74		66	15.770
	Children	Served	45	22.0%	42	20.8%
		Need	204		202	
	Women	Served	14	15.9%	3	3.7%
		Need	88	-5.5.1	81	2,3
	Total	Served	72	19.7%	58	16.7%
		Need	366		348	25.770

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Toole	Pregnant	Served	9	22.0%	7	17.5%
		Need	41		40	17.5%
	Postpartum	Served	6	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	16	Count \20	14	
	Breastfeeding	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	14	- Count 120	13	- Count 420
	Infants	Served	17	30.4%	17	31.5%
		Need	56	30.170	54	31.370
	Children	Served	36	27.5%	30	22.9%
		Need	131	27.370	131	22.370
	Women	Served	17	23.9%	8	11.9%
		Need	71	23.370	67	11.570
	Total	Served	70	27.2%	55	21.9%
		Need	258	27.270	251	21.3/0
Treasure	Pregnant	Served	2	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	6	Count <20	7	Count <20
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	2	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	2	Count \20	2	Count \20
	Infants	Served	2	Count <20	3	Count <20
		Need	8	Count \20	9	Count \20
	Children	Served	11	Count <20	12	Count <20
		Need	20	Count \20	19	Count \20
	Women	Served	5	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	10	Count 120	11	Count 120
	Total	Served	18	47.9%	17	44.7%
		Need	38		38	77.7/0

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Valley	Pregnant	Served	9	19.1%	3	7.3%
		Need	47		41	
	Postpartum	Served	6	Count <20	-2	Count <20
		Need	17	Count \20	16	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	8	Count <20	3	Count <20
		Need	15	Count \20	15	Count \20
	Infants	Served	26	41.9%	20	36.4%
		Need	62	41.570	55	30.470
	Children	Served	79	40.2%	60	30.2%
		Need	197	40.270	199	30.270
	Women	Served	23	29.1%	4	5.6%
		Need	79	29.176	72	3.0%
	Total	Served	128	37.9%	84	25.8%
		Need	338	37.570	326	23.0/0
Wheatland	Pregnant	Served	2	Count <20	2	10.00/
		Need	15	Count <20	20	10.0%
	Postpartum	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	12	Count <20	11	Count <20
	Breastfeeding	Served	3	Count <20	2	Carrat - 20
		Need	10	Count <20	10	Count <20
	Infants	Served	9	45.0%	10	37.0%
		Need	20	45.0%	27	37.0%
	Children	Served	12	17.2%	11	16.4%
		Need	70	17.2%	67	10.4%
	Women	Served	7	18.9%	7	17.1%
		Need	37	10.570	41	17.170
	Total	Served	28	22.2%	27	20.1%
		Need	126		134	20.1/0

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Wibaux	Pregnant	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	5		6	
	Postpartum	Served	1	Count <20	0	Count <20
		Need	4	Count \20	3	Count \20
	Breastfeeding	Served	1	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	3	Count \20	2	Count \20
	Infants	Served	2	Count <20	2	Count <20
		Need	7	Count 120	8	Count 120
	Children	Served	6	25.0%	4	16.7%
		Need	24	23.070	24	10.770
	Women	Served	3	Count <20	1	Count <20
		Need	12	Count 120	12	Count 120
	Total	Served	11	25.9%	7	15.9%
		Need	42	23.376	44	13.5%
Yellowstone	Pregnant	Served	273	27.6%	247	23.0%
		Need	989	27.0%	1,076	23.0%
	Postpartum	Served	213	42.2%	111	21.9%
		Need	505	42.270	506	21.570
	Breastfeeding	Served	165	36.0%	130	27.4%
		Need	458	30.070	475	27.470
	Infants	Served	641	47.7%	650	44.7%
		Need	1,345	47.770	1,454	44.770
	Children	Served	1,392	31.7%	1,227	25.6%
		Need	4,396	31.770	4,800	25.0%
	Women	Served	651	33.4%	488	23.7%
		Need	1,952	33.470	2,058	23.770
	Total	Served	2,684	34.9%	2,366	28.5%
		Need	7,693		8,311	20.3/0

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MT State	Pregnant	Served	1,922	29.1%	1,716	25.0%
		Need	6,616	23.170	6,876	23.070
	Postpartum	Served	1,336	41.0%	723	22.3%
		Need	3,262	41.0%	3,246	22.3/6
	Breastfeeding	Served	1,227	41.5%	695	22.8%
		Need	2,956	41.3%	3,052	22.8/0
	Infants	Served	4,200	46.9%	4,333	46.6%
		Need	8,955	40.5%	9,303	40.0%
	Children	Served	10,908	36.4%	9,091	28.7%
		Need	29,994	30.476	31,723	28.776
	Women	Served	4,485	34.9%	3,134	23.8%
		Need	12,849	34.376	13,190	23.876
	Total	Served	19,593	37.8%	16,558	30.5%
		Need	51,783	37.0%	54,201	30.3%

### **Description of Method of WIC Participation and Potentially Eligibles**

Given the goals of improving access overall among counties, as well as the federal government's intent that states strive to serve all eligible clients, this method for estimating eligible WIC Participation is based on caseload distribution (WIC participation) and historical data from other sources.

This approach builds upon aspects of an estimation methodology developed originally for Washington State by the *Clegg & Associates and Calculated Risk (C&A and CR)* consulting groups. The *C&A and CR* conducted research, reviewed methods used by other states, and incorporated certain adjustment factors set forth in the Panel to Review the USDA Methodology for Estimating Eligibility and Participation for the WIC Program. This method includes enhancements that reflect population characteristics and data sources specific to Montana State. Estimates from this method represent of potentially eligible individuals over a 12-month calendar year by county of residence.

#### Part I: Estimating Eligible Infants (ages 0 up to 1 year)

The estimates of the number of WIC-eligible infants are the basis for subsequent estimates of eligible children and women.

### A. <u>Baseline Count – Infants (Annual Births)</u>

The methodology starts with the annual number of births as recorded by the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS). These records are organized according to the mothers' county of residence at the time of birth.

## B. Adjustment Procedure to Improve the Count Accuracy – Infants

The methodology introduces an adjustment for county-specific counts. We do this in the following way:

Step 1: We arrive at county-specific estimates of children ages 1-4 as the sum of all live births for the appropriate prior 4 years based on DPHH birth records, and add to the annual birth count for given year.

(Example: births from: 06+07+08+09+10 (children aged: 1yr, 2yrs, 3ry, 4yrs, <1yr)=total children 0-4yrs in 2010)

Step 2: We obtain county-specific estimates of children ages 0-4 from the inter-US Census year population.

Step 3: We compare county-specific totals based on birth records of children ages 0-4 (step 1) to the county-specific estimates of children ages 0-4 from inter-US Census (step 2).

Step 4: We interpret the difference between these two population counts. The estimated numbers may increase or decrease to reflect the percentage deviation existing between DPHH and US Census projections for the 0-4 age group.

(Example: 100-200= (-100), estimate of #Net In/(Out) Migration; 100/200=50% Estimate of % Net In/(Out) Migration)

These adjustments occur at the county level for all counties.

## C. <u>Estimating Infants in Poverty – Infants</u>

After deriving county-level estimates of infants under age one, we next approximate the percentage in households below 185% Federal Poverty Level (FPL). We refer to the 2000 Census as a starting point. By matching census counts by county for the 0-4 age group with similar counts for the 0%-185% FPL stratum, we calculate a poverty rate for each county. We apply this percentage to the estimated number of infants derived above, assuming that the poverty rate for infants is the same as the poverty rate for children ages 0-4. Because these poverty rates may have increased since the 2000 Census, we refer to the March Supplement of the Current Population Survey (CPS), which reflects economic conditions from the previous year. For each county, we compare the poverty rate derived from the 2000 Census with the more current CPS percentage of children under 185% of FPL for Montana State. If the CPS percentage is higher than the percentage from the census, we instead use the CPS poverty rate for the county. Note that because the CPS is a survey, it is less comprehensive and accurate than the census. We therefore construct a confidence range that reflects the survey's sample size. In order to forecast WIC eligible more inclusively, we use the upper limit of this range when comparing the CPS and census poverty rates.

Lack of annual data by county and by age for infants and children <185% Federal Poverty Level (FPL), does not allow to accurately account for the number of infants and children who live in households <185% FPL.

#### D. Increase for **Adjunctive Eligibility** - Infants

Infants on Medicaid, TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), and the Food Stamp Program are eligible for the WIC Program regardless of their households' income

status. We begin by using the adjunctive eligibility factor recommended in the Panel to Review the USDA Methodology for Estimating Eligibility and Participation for the WIC Program. This static and national adjustment factor increases the number of infants eligible for WIC by 31%

We initially boost our county-specific estimates of infants in poverty by this factor. Next, we refer to two separate tallies of infants: (1) the unique enrollment counts by county for Montana State infants (up to one year old) in all Categorically Needy and Medically Needy program categories, and (2) the unique counts by county for infants who are not enrolled in Medicaid but are receiving food stamps. For each county, we sum these two tallies of non-overlapping infants. If the sum exceeds the county-specific results obtained from applying only the USDA panel adjustment for adjunctive eligibility above, we use Medicaid enrollment plus Food Stamp Program participants to reflect those infants potentially eligible for WIC. This step assumes that WIC-eligible people under 185% of FPL are already enrolled in these Medicaid programs. It also assumes that TANF enrollees are contained within the Categorically Needy programs.

# E. Increase for Eligibility using Monthly vs. Annual Income – Infants

Monthly income is more volatile than annual income, especially for the poor. As a result, more people are eligible for WIC when evaluated using monthly income rather than annual income. Our use of poverty rates from the census represents annual income. To account for the increased eligibility that would result from evaluating monthly income for program applicants, we adopt a recommendation from the previously referenced USDA panel report. It boosts the number of eligible infants by 18%.

## Part II: Estimating Eligible Children (ages 1 through 4 years)

#### A. Baseline Counts - Children

We estimate the number of children ages 1-4 as the sum of all live births for the appropriate prior four years based on DPHH birth records. As with the infant baseline estimates, these estimates are county-specific.

#### B. Adjustment Procedure to Improve the Count Accuracy – Children

The methodology introduces an adjustment for county-specific counts. We do this in the following way:

Step 1: We arrive at county-specific estimates of children ages 1-4 as the sum of all live births for the appropriate prior 4 years based on DPHH birth records, and add to the annual birth count for given year.

(Example: births from: 06+07+08+09+10 (children aged: 1yr, 2yrs, 3ry, 4yrs, <1yr)=total children 0-4yrs in 2010)

Step 2: We obtain county-specific estimates of children ages 0-4 from the inter-US Census year population.

Step 3: We compare county-specific totals based on birth records of children ages 0-4 (step 1) to the county-specific estimates of children ages 0-4 from inter-US Census (step 2).

Step 4: We interpret the difference between these two population counts. The estimated numbers may increase or decrease to reflect the percentage deviation existing between DPHH and US Census projections for the 0-4 age group.

(Example: 100-200= (-100), estimate of #Net In/(Out) Migration; 100/200=50% Estimate of % Net In/(Out) Migration)

These adjustments occur at the county level for all counties.

### C. Estimating Children in Poverty - Children

After deriving county-level estimates of children ages 1-4, we next approximate the percentage in households below 185% FPL. We refer to the 2000 Census as a starting point. By matching census counts by county for the 0-4 age group with similar counts for the 0%-185% FPL stratum, we calculate a poverty rate for each county. We apply this percentage to our estimated number of children ages 1-4 derived above. We assume that the poverty rate for children ages 1-4 is the same as the poverty rate for children ages 0-4. Because these poverty rates may have increased since the 2000 Census, we refer to the March Supplement of the CPS, which reflects economic conditions from the previous year. For each county, we compare the poverty rate derived from the 2000 Census with the more current CPS percentage of children under 185% of FPL for Montana State. If the CPS percentage is higher than the percentage from the census, we instead use the CPS poverty rate for the county. Note that because the CPS is a survey, it is less comprehensive and accurate than the census. We therefore construct a confidence range that reflects the survey's sample size. In order to forecast WIC eligible more inclusively, we use the upper limit of this range when comparing the CPS and census poverty rates.

# D. Increase for Adjunctive Eligibility - Children

Children on Medicaid, TANF, and the Food Stamp Program are eligible for the WIC Program, regardless of their households' income status. We begin by using the adjunctive eligibility factor recommended in the Panel to Review the USDA Methodology for Estimating Eligibility and Participation for the WIC Program. This static and national adjustment factor increases the number of children eligible for WIC by 23%. We initially boost our county specific estimates of children in poverty by this factor. Next, we refer to two separate tallies of children ages 1-4: (1) the unique enrollment counts by county for Montana State children in all Categorically Needy and Medically Needy program categories and (2) the unique counts by county for children who are not enrolled in Medicaid but are receiving food stamps.

For each county, we sum these two tallies of non-overlapping children. If the sum exceeds the county-specific results obtained from applying only the USDA panel adjustment for adjunctive eligibility above, we use the Medicaid enrollment plus Food Stamp Program participants to reflect those children potentially eligible for WIC. This step assumes that WIC-eligible people under 185% of FPL are already enrolled in these Medicaid programs. It also assumes that TANF enrollees are contained within the Categorically Needy programs.

#### E. Increase for Eligibility using **Monthly vs. Annual Income** - Children

Monthly income is more volatile than annual income, especially for the poor. As a result, more people are eligible for WIC when evaluated using monthly income rather than annual income. Our use of poverty rates from the census represents annual income. To account for the increased eligibility that would result from evaluating monthly income for program

applicants, we adopt a recommendation in the previously referenced USDA panel report. It boosts the number of eligible infants by 1%.

# Part III: Estimating Eligible Women

The estimated number of women eligible for WIC in a given year is inferred from the number of WIC-eligible infants derived in Methodology, Part I. WIC-eligible women can be split into three non-overlapping sub-groups:

- 1. Women who are pregnant at any time during the year
- 2. Breastfeeding, post-partum mothers who gave birth during the prior year
- 3. Non-breastfeeding, post-partum mothers who gave birth during the prior year

Rather than assume all infants born in a given year had different mothers, the method uses county-specific plural birth data made available by DPHHS to reduce slightly the number of women relative to infants. This approach does not directly account for miscarriages or maternal deaths. The USDA conclude that multiple and fetal and infant deaths do nearly cancel each other. <sup>1</sup> Because of the confidence ranges that surround the "point estimates" produced by this methodology, we are confident that the error associated with miscarriages and deaths will be contained within the range, so long as the confidence range is chosen reasonably.

### 1. Women Who are Pregnant at Any Time in the Year

The number of eligible infants resulting from Methodology, Part I are used. Using the overall rate of plural births recorded for each county, we calculated the number of pregnant women associated with the infants born in the given year.

To this figure, we add an estimate of the number of women pregnant in the current year but who will not give birth until the following year. We estimate this component by allowing that 39/52 (75%) (39 weeks average pregnancy in MT/52 weeks in calendar year), of WIC-eligible women who become pregnant during the current year will deliver in the current year. The 39 week delivery term is based on Montana births from 2006 to 2009. The selection of "39 weeks" in this case is a user-defined variable in the model. Note that there is no allowance for seasonality in deliveries made using this approach.

### 2. Breastfeeding, Post-Partum Women Who Gave Birth in the Prior Year

We multiply the 6-month breastfeeding rate from the Pediatric Nutrition Surveillance System (PedNSS) specific for Montana with the annual number of eligible infants from Methodology, Part I, to estimate the number of breastfeeding women. The MT OVS plural births are employed to slightly reduce the number of women associated with newborns.

# 3. Non-Breastfeeding, Post-Partum Women Who Gave Birth in the Prior Year

We multiply the 6-month non-breastfeeding rate from the Pediatric Nutrition Surveillance System (PedNSS) specific for Montana with the annual number of eligible infants from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> USDA, The National Research Council. *Estimating Eligibility and Participation for the WIC Program.* Final Report. 2001;69.

Methodology, Part I, to estimate non-breastfeeding women. The MT OVS plural births are employed to slightly reduce the number of women associated with newborns. The total is reduced by one-half to recognize the shorter, six-month WIC eligibility period for non-breastfeeding, postpartum women.